

# RARITAN VALLEY ARTS ASSOCIATION

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April 2018 Newsletter

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## Daffodil Greetings!

Spring is here! And although it snowed the day after Easter, warmer weather is coming soon! You will want to celebrate by coming to our next meeting Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm at the Somerset County Library. This will be a special getting-to-know-each-other meeting. Please feel free to bring samples of your work, your preferred medium, if you wish, and we'll have a show and tell, or at least "tell" if you don't want to bring work. Artists usually work solo so this will be a good time to get to know each other a little bit better, and share stories. Who knows what inspiration you might find?!

**As you know**, last month's meeting and the demo with Oscar Peterson was cancelled because of another snowstorm. Hopefully he'll be rescheduled for the autumn.

Meanwhile, you can see some of his work at  
(<http://olpeterson.wixsite.com/petersonportraits/newest-works>) –

## **Please join us on our Big Apple Bus Trip Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup>.**

President Marge McGovern, who once again is good enough to organize this trip, tells your editor that there are still plenty of seats to fill. Shouldn't you be going? With some of your friends? Please sign up and leave the rest to us. The AWS (American Watercolor Society) exhibit is of course at the Salmagundi, but we'll go to the Metropolitan Museum of Art before it. The bus leaves at 8:30 am from the upper parking lot of the Somerset County Library (same spot as usual). We leave the Met about 2:00 to go to the Salmagundi Club for the American Watercolor Society Show, and we leave there at 4 to arrive back in Bridgewater at 5. (*this time change comes at the request of several who want to get back home sooner*). This is a fantastic day, with all sorts of wonderful art to see and inspire us, as well as the camaraderie of art friends. The trip on the bus, with comfortable seats and a bathroom besides, only costs \$40. Everything door to door for us! If you were to go by train and taxi, or train/subway/bus, you would spend about as much and waste ever so much time, time that can be used looking at art. Please send your check, made out to RVAA, to Marge McGovern, PO Box 399, Martinsville, NJ, 08836. To see what will be showing at the Met just go to <http://www.metmuseum.org/exhibitions>. Please art lovers, reply soon.

**We would like more people for this bus trip; try it, you'll love it! Note:** The Met recently changed their policy so the admission cost is no longer at your discretion unless you are a student. For NJ residents it is now \$25 adults, \$17 seniors, \$12 students and free for children under 12.

**The Special Closing Reception for the Bridgewater Creative Arts Council Show** with over 50 works by twelve RVAA artists hanging and 14 in the display case, took place Monday evening, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, hosted by BCAC Chairwoman Stephanie Mench and our President, Marge McGovern. Light refreshments, good conversation, and of course, fine art viewing, made for an enjoyable evening.



Farmstead Arts presents their exhibit **Women in the Arts**, an exhibit featuring local NJ women artists, including our own past president Linda Arnold. The closing reception will be Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-4:00 pm. Light refreshments will be served. For more information please contact Director Kathy Harris at 908/636-7576.

**Carl Burger Exhibit Spheres of Influence Tuesday, May 15, 2018- Tuesday, June 26, 2018** Come out and celebrate one of New Jersey's most beloved and decorated artists with the Morris Museum as he celebrates his 92nd birthday this year with an exhibition of his paintings, watercolors, lithographs, drawings and more! *This will be really special; you don't want to miss it.*

**The Zimmerli Museum** on 71 Hamilton Street in New Brunswick has several special exhibits now. You may stop by for a *free curator-led gallery talk on April 15*, at 1pm, that explores the topic "Bursts of Color in Nineteenth-Century Lithography" in the exhibition [Set in Stone: Lithography in Paris, 1815-1900](#). Other exhibits include: [Stanley Twardowicz: Color Field Paintings, 1962-1990](#) Tuesday, September 5, 2017 - Sunday, July 29, 2018 in the Littman Gallery, [Impressions: Prints of Mexico, 1930s-40s / Impresiones: Estampas de México, 1930s-40s](#) Saturday, February 17, 2018 - Sunday, July 29, 2018 in the Eisenberg Gallery, and [Nevermore: Leonid Lamm, Selected Works](#) Saturday, March 3, 2018 - Sunday, September 30, 2018 in the Dodge Wing Lower Level.

## **MEMBERS NEWS**

**LINDA ARNOLD** is one of five artists whose work is in Farmstead Arts, "Women in the Arts" art show and sale. The show runs in the Farmhouse Galleries from March 4th through April 15<sup>th</sup> (closing reception Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup> 1-4). Her work is also included in "Art Inspired by Nature" at the Environmental Center in Basking Ridge.

Linda also wants us to know that she found an excellent framer at Frame Me, 23 Anderson Street, Raritan, "His prices and work are good."

**LINDA LAM** has a one-woman show at the Morristown Medical Center up now through June. **The Carol Simon Cancer Center Gallery: Healing Arts Center** is at 100 Madison Avenue, Morristown, NJ. For more of Linda's art please go to [www.lindalamart.com](http://www.lindalamart.com)

**DIANA PATTON** has a one-woman show at the Chester Library through April.

*Inquiring minds want to know your news! Please email or snail me your news. Thank you!*

# **DUES RENEWAL FORM**

## **RARITAN VALLEY ARTS ASSOCIATION**

### **Membership Application**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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ART level:

Beginner ( ) Intermediate ( ) Advanced ( )

Most used medium:

Oil ( ) Watercolor ( ) Pencil ( ) Photography ( ) Printmaking ( )

( ) Pastel ( ) Collage ( ) Pen & Ink ( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Individual \$35. per year

( ) Family \$40. per year

( ) Student (through high school) \$20. per year

Make check payable to RVAA and mail the Application with your check to Susan Boyd, 437 Washington Avenue, Martinsville, NJ 08836